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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Eđuard HOFFMANN et al.

Serial No .:

08/856,944

Filed: May 15, 1997

For:

A CARRYING SLEEVE FOR PRINTING

AND TRANSFER FORMS AND A PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF SUCH A CARRYING

SLEEVE

Examiner: J. Reed Fisher Group Art: 2854

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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of April 27, 1999, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

(4X Amended)

A process for producing a carrying sleeve for printing and transfer

forms, which sleeve is slidable onto a printing cylinder by expansion by pressurized air,